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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PLACING MULTIPLE SUTURES DURING ANASTOMOSIS", the specification of which is filed herewith, and is identified by Attorney's Docket No. ONUX-6.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(e), of United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/163,680,

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filed 11/05/99 for DEVICE FOR PLACING MULTIPLE SUTURES  
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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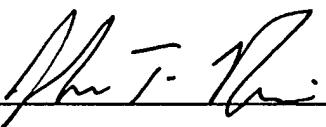
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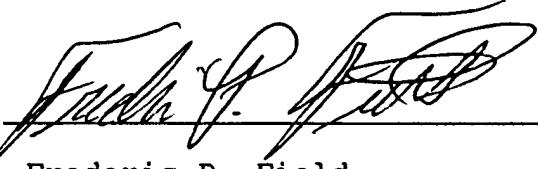
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PLACING  
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VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL BUSINESS ENTITY STATUS

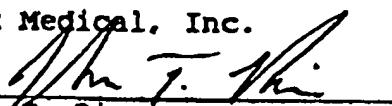
The undersigned, John T. Rice, hereby declares that he is Vice President of Onux Medical, Inc., a New Hampshire corporation having a principal place of business at 5 Merrill Drive, Hampton, NH 03842, and is empowered to act on behalf of said corporation in this matter; that said corporation qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 C.F.R. 121.3-18 for purposes of paying reduced fees under Title 35, United States Code, Sections 41(a) and (b). in that the number of employees of said corporation, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons; and that on information and belief, exclusive rights under contract have been conveyed to and remain in said corporation with regard to the invention described and claimed in the above-identified U.S. patent application

For purposes of this statement, the number of employees of said corporation is the average over the previous fiscal year of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and concerns are affiliates of each other when either directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

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Onux Medical, Inc.

November 3, 2000  
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